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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 34

In response to the Office Action mailed October 26, 1998 (Paper No. 34), applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 23, 32, and 33, and add the following claims:

- --34. A method of producing antibodies to an antigen of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1), said method comprising:
- (a) providing an antigen of HIV-1, wherein said antigen is encoded by a nucleic acid fragment extending from the restriction site KpnI at about coordinate 6100 to the restriction site Bg/II at about coordinate 9150 of plasmid λ -J19; and
 - (b) raising antibodies against said antigen.

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